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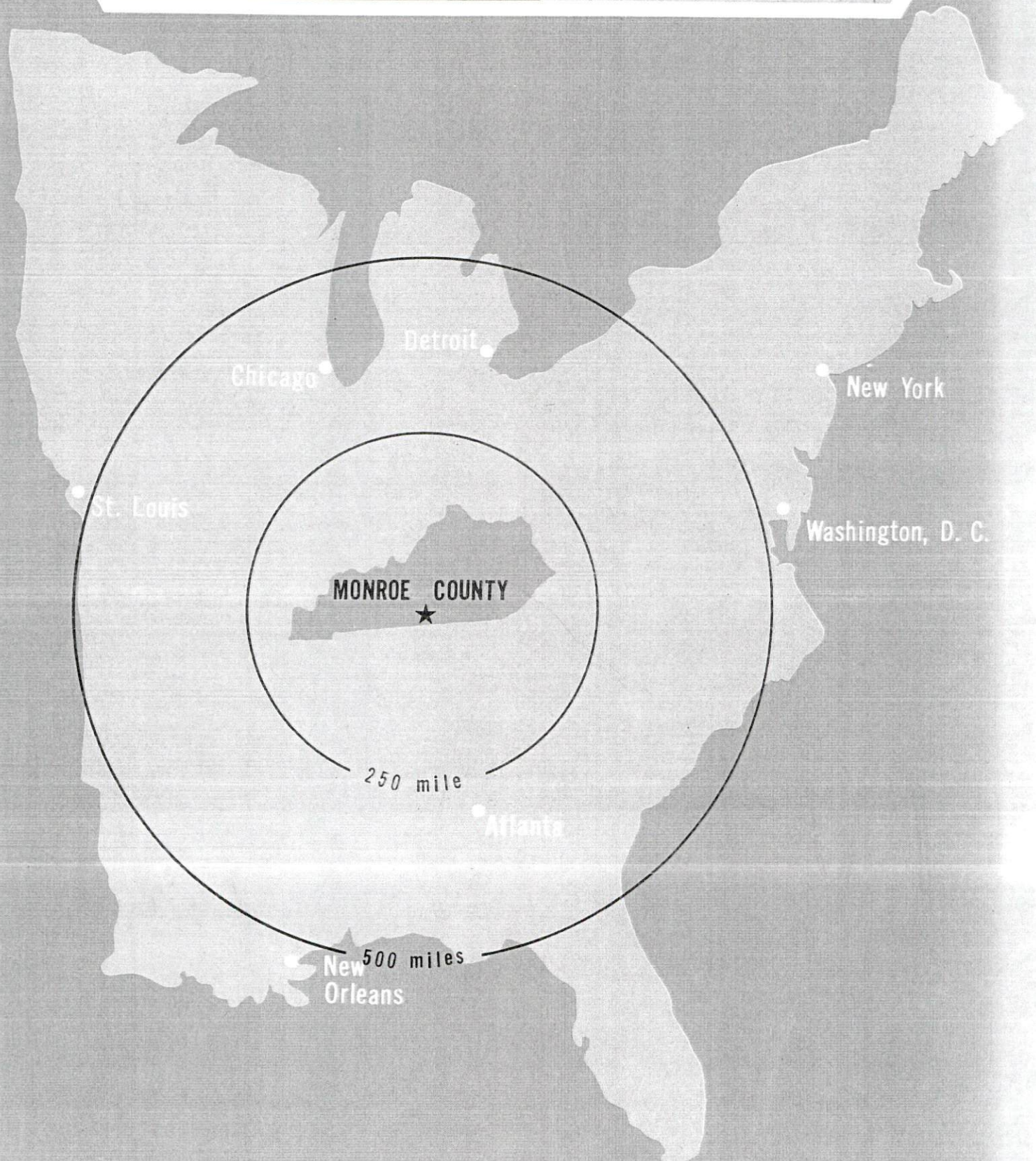
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

**MONROE COUNTY
KENTUCKY**



MONROE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL SITES

1969

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TOMPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

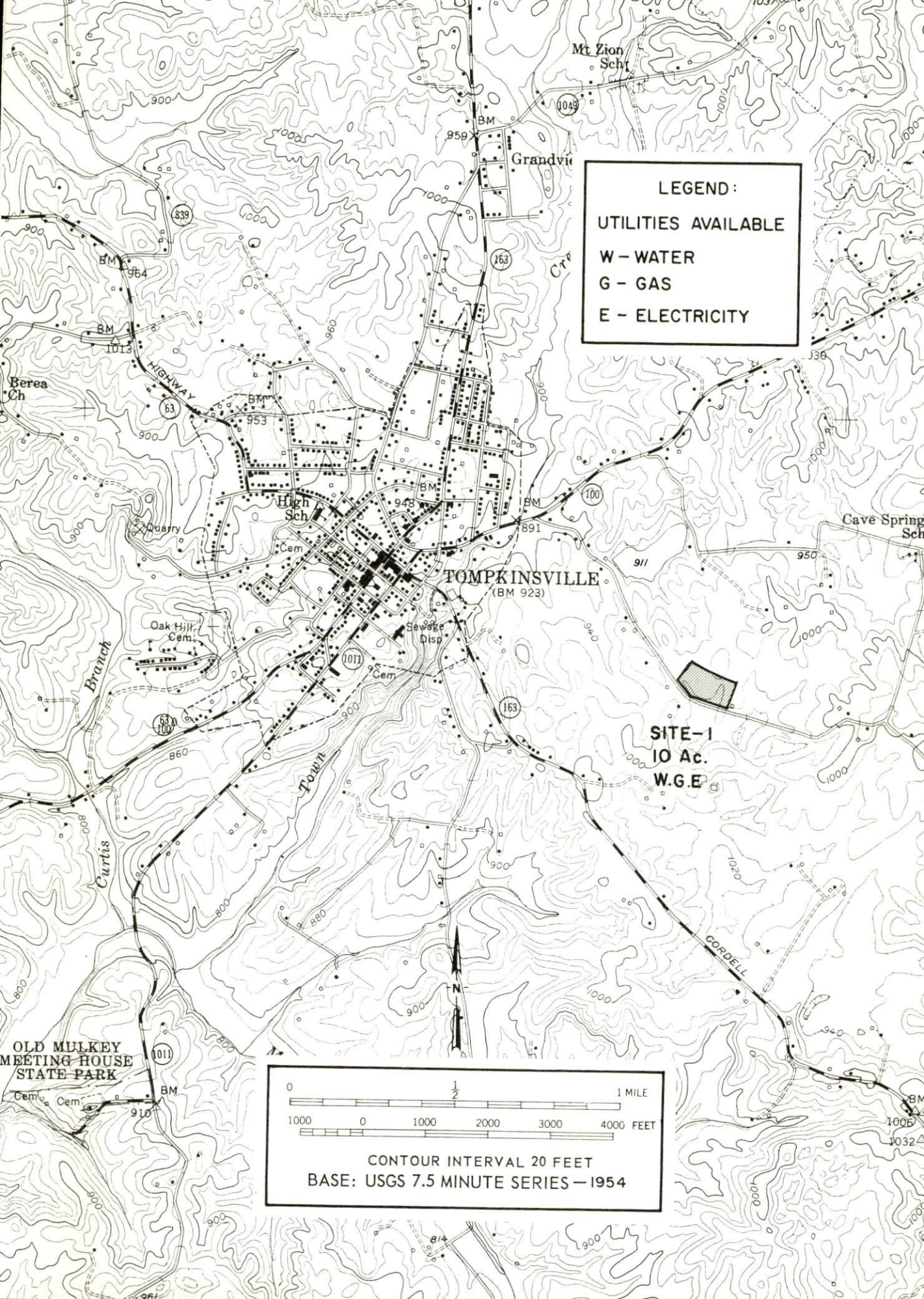
SITE # 1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 10 acres of level to very gently rolling land
LOCATION: Three-fourth mile southeast of the corporate limits of Tompkinsville
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: County road to Kentucky Route 100, three-fourth mile distant
RAILROADS: None
WATER: Tompkinsville Water and Sewer System
GAS: Tompkinsville Gas Company
ELECTRICITY: Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation
OPTIONED BY: Tompkinsville Industrial Foundation, Inc.

Cost per acre will be furnished upon request by C. S. Hagan, Tompkinsville, Kentucky, or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky.

GAMALIEL, KENTUCKY

SITE # 1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 25 acres of level to gently rolling land
LOCATION: Located in the city limits of Gamaliel on Factory Street which is surfaced
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Surfaced street leading to Highway 100
RAILROADS: None
WATER: Gamaliel Waterworks
ELECTRICITY: Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation
SEWERAGE: Plans are being developed by engineer for sewerage facilities
OPTIONED BY: Gamaliel Industrial Foundation, Inc.

Cost per acre will be furnished upon request by Ray Holland, President of Gamaliel Bank, Gamaliel, Kentucky, or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky.



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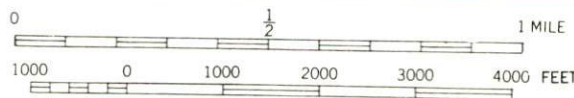
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STATE PARK



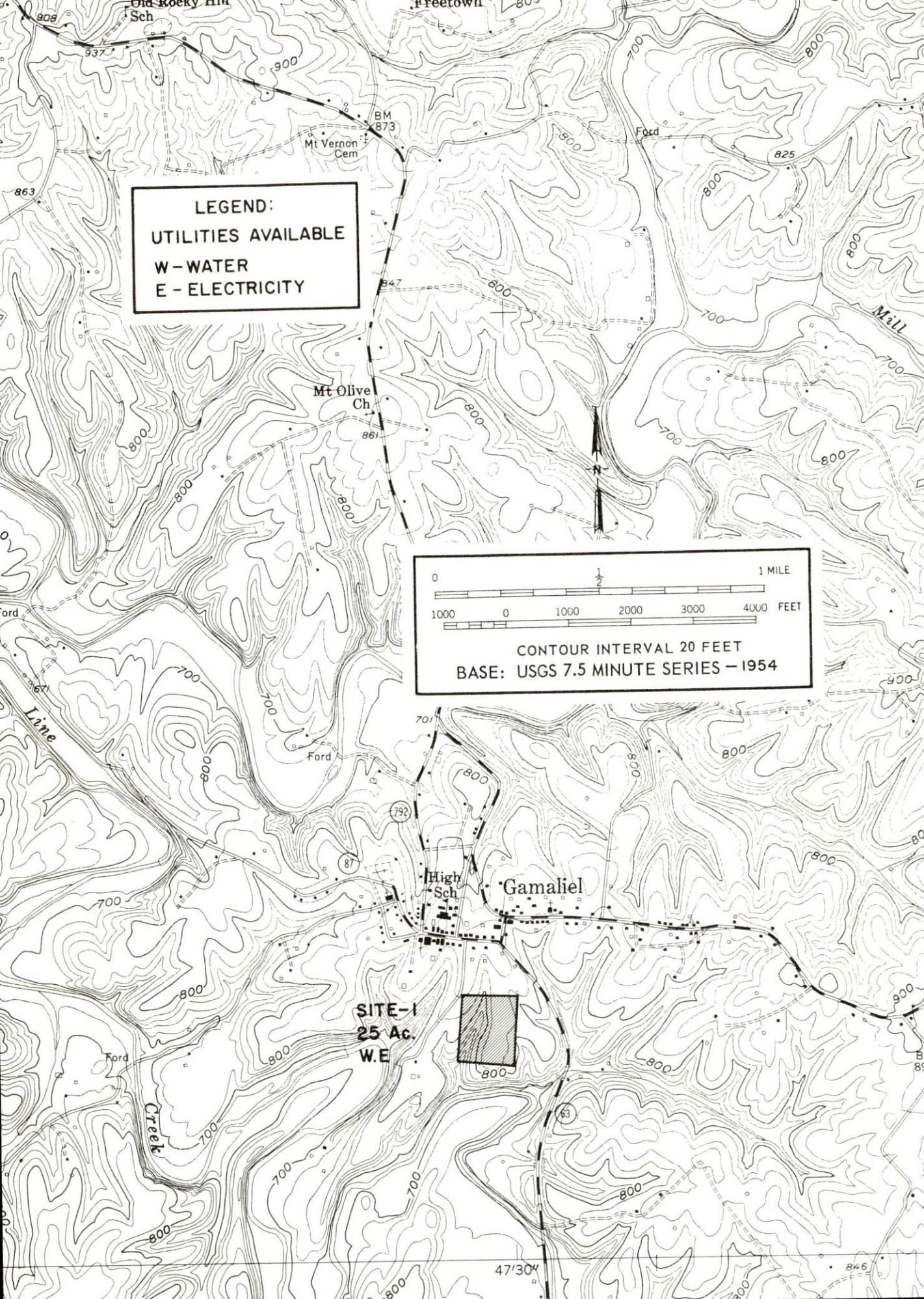
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CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
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SITE-1
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CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, MONROE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

This is a 1970 supplement to "Industrial Resources, Monroe County, Kentucky" which was published in 1969.

Population

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Gamaliel		
Tompkinsville	2,194	2,091
Monroe County	11,353	11,799
Labor Market Area	65,900	68,573
(Includes Allen, Barren, Cumberland, Metcalfe, and Monroe Counties)		

General Employment Characteristics

	<u>Employment 1969</u>	
<u>Industry</u>	<u>Monroe County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	4,200	26,000
Agriculture	1,400	7,500
Nonagricultural	2,800	18,500
Manufacturing	1,000	5,119
Trade & Services	527	4,419
Government	500	2,500

Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Monroe County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>1969</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL	1,093	314	+248.1	5,228	2,419	+116.1
Food & kindred products	71	33	+115.2	197	286	- 27.6
Apparel, textiles, leather	869	108	+704.6	2,435	1,579	+ 54.2
Lumber & furniture	131	168	- 22.0	886	486	+ 82.3
Printing, publishing, paper	5	5	--	76	47	+ 61.7
Stone, clay, glass	17	0	--	17	20	- 15.0
Machinery & metal products	0	0	--	1,580	0	--
Other	0	0	--	37	1	--

There are presently 13 manufacturing firms in Monroe County. Major firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year Started Operations</u>
Monroe Manufacturing Company	340	1960
Key Manufacturing	200	1952
Tompkinsville Manufacturing Co.	258	1963

Labor Supply

	<u>Monroe County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Current	930	680	250	5,323	3,399	1,924
Potential additions next five years	1,181	631	550	6,696	3,408	3,288

Personal Income

Monroe County, 1968: Total - \$20,379,000; Per capita - \$2,598
 1959: Total - \$ 9,169,000; Per capita - \$1,614

Property Tax Rates

Property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation, 1969:

<u>Taxing Unit</u>	<u>Gamaliel</u>	<u>Tompkinsville</u>	<u>Monroe County</u>
State	\$.015	\$.015	\$.015
County	.176	.176	.176
School	.485	.485	.485
City	.200	.200	
Total	\$.876	\$.876	\$.676

Labor Organizations

There are currently no labor unions in Monroe County representing manufacturing workers.

Education

The Monroe County School System includes two high schools with provisional ratings and twelve elementary schools.

Water and Sewerage

Water: Daily treatment capacity - 120,000 gallons; average daily use - 50,000 gallons; maximum daily use - 120,000 gallons; size distribution line - 2 to 8 inches.

Sewerage: Septic tanks are utilized.

Local Government

Police Protection: Number of law enforcement officers - 1 (city); 4 (county).

Fire Protection: Number of volunteer firemen - 25; American Insurance Association fire rating, City of Gamaliel - Class 7.

Other Local Facilities

Telephone: South Central Bell Telephone Company and General Telephone of Kentucky.

Postal: Class of post office - third; mail received - once daily; mail dispatched - once daily.

Public Library: Bookmobile; annual circulation - 71,186.

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement of Condition as of December 31, 1969</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Gamaliel Bank	\$6,517,611.23	\$5,950,457.84

Recreation

Local: Monroe County Fair and Recreation Center, swimming pool, Fountain Run Community Park, basketball, baseball, picnicking, Old Mulkey Meeting House State Shrine.

Area: Dale Hollow Dam and Reservoir, Barren River Reservoir, Diamond Caverns, Mammoth Cave

Vocational School: Bowling Green Area Vocational School

Courses offered: General Clerical, Dental Assistant, Health Careers, Nurses Aide, O.B. Technician, Practical Nursing, Surgical Technician, Ward Clerk, Electronics (Technology), Highway Technology, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Auto Body Repair, Auto Mechanics, Carpentry, Commercial Foods, Drafting, Electricity, Machine Shop, Office Machines Repair, Printing, Radio and TV Repair, Small Engine Repair, Tool and Die Making, Welding.

Transportation

Trucking Service: Manning Motor Express, Inc., Tompkinsville Transfer Company, Merchants Truck Line, Burkesville Transfer Company.

Rail Service: Glasgow, Kentucky, 30 miles distant. Piggyback service is available at Glasgow, Kentucky.

Air Service: Bowling Green-Warren County Municipal Airport, 65 miles distant.

Health

Local general hospital - The Monroe County War Memorial Hospital; capacity - 49 beds; staff - 6 doctors and 3 registered nurses; special personnel - 1 surgeon, 1 X-ray technician.

Industrial Sites

The industrial site listed in the 1969 Monroe County Industrial Resources brochure for Gamaliel is still available for industrial use.

Acreage of the industrial site at Tompkinsville shown in the Monroe County Industrial Resources brochure has been increased to 25 acres with the east and west boundaries extended. No additional footage is available along the county road.

GAMALIEL, KENTUCKY

Power and Fuel

Electric Distributor

Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation

Natural Gas Distributor

Natural gas service not available.

TOMPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

Power and Fuel

Electric Distributor

Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation

Natural Gas Distributor

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Water and Sewerage

Water: Daily treatment capacity - 800,000 gallons; average daily use - 800,000 gallons; storage capacity - 300,000 gallons; size distribution lines - 2 to 8 inches.

Sewerage: Type treatment - primary; average daily flow - operating at capacity; size of sewer mains - 6 to 10 inches.

Remarks: A new sewerage treatment plant is under construction. It will have a design flow of 460,000 gallons per day.

Local Government

Police Protection: Number of law enforcement officers - 4 (city); 4 (county).

Fire Protection: Number of full-time firemen - 1; number of volunteer firemen - 21; American Insurance Association fire rating, City of Tompkinsville - Class 8.

Other Local Facilities

Telephone: South Central Bell Telephone Company and General Telephone Company of Kentucky.

Postal: Class of post office - second; mail received - twice daily; mail dispatched - twice daily.

Public Library: William B. Harlan Memorial Library; number of volumes - 13,900; annual circulation - 22,554.

Financial Institutions

Statement of Condition as of December 31, 1969

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Peoples Bank of Tompkinsville	\$5,000,000	\$4,500,000
Deposit Bank of Monroe County	8,000,000	7,300,000

Recreation

Local: Tompkinsville School Athletic Field, the Monroe County Fair and Recreation Center, Old Mulkey Meeting House State Shrine, Fountain Run Community Park, swimming pool, basketball, baseball, picnicking.

Area: Dale Hollow Dam and Reservoir, Barren River Reservoir, Mammoth Cave, Diamond Caverns

INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
MONROE COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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MONROE COUNTY, KENTUCKY, A PROFILE

Location

Monroe County is located in the beautiful cave country of South-central Kentucky. Monroe County is located on the Kentucky-Tennessee border, 129 miles south of Louisville, Kentucky, and 93 miles northeast of Nashville, Tennessee.

The Economy

During 1968, employment in Monroe County included agriculture (1,600), manufacturing (1,080), trade and services (460), and government (500). Manufacturing employment in Monroe County has experienced spectacular growth during the 1960's with employment in September, 1968, being 1,080 for a 127.8 percent gain during the past nine years. Community attitudes and programs are directed toward greater industrial growth in the future. Personal income for Monroe County residents was \$21,137,000 in 1968 for a gain of 130.5 percent during the sixties. Per capita income in 1968 was \$1,838.

Monroe County is the center of a five-county area with a total employment in 1968 of 25,975. In September, 1968, there were 4,830 manufacturing jobs in the five-county area, and since 1960, industrial employment has increased by 75.6 percent. Other important economic activities are agriculture (8,300), trade and services (4,200), and government (2,600). Growth in this area has been good during the past few years and available resources indicate additional growth in the years to come.

Labor Supply

There are 3,300 men and 1,800 women within reasonable commuting distance of Monroe County. During the next five years 3,400 boys and 3,200 girls in the area will become 18 years of age, thus augmenting this labor supply.

Industrial Sites and Services

Two industrial sites are now available in Monroe County. A 10-acre site is available in Tompkinsville, while a 25-acre site is located in Gamaliel.

Trucking service is provided in Monroe County by four common carriers. Interstate and intrastate services are available.

The nearest rail facilities are located at Glasgow, Kentucky, 26 miles northwest of Tompkinsville. Freight services are provided by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad.

Commercial air service is available at Bowling Green, Kentucky, 63 miles from Tompkinsville.

Ample supplies of power and fuel are available. Electric power is supplied by the Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation. Natural gas is supplied by a municipally owned company in Tompkinsville.

Recreation

Recreational activities in the Monroe County area are varied and plentiful. The main activity is concentrated around the many lakes which surround the county. Many other varied recreational activities are available in the Monroe County area.

The county is located near Mammoth Cave National Park, one of the natural wonders of the world.

Many recreational activities can be found in the Louisville area. Horse racing, professional and intercollegiate athletic competition and many cultural and musical activities are available.

THE LABOR MARKET

Population

Tompkinsville, the county seat of Monroe County, has shown a net population increase from 1900 to 1950 of 407.9 percent. During the 1950's, Tompkinsville continued its growth with a 12.5 percent gain.

Gamaliel, located 8 miles from Tompkinsville, showed a 1960 population of 868.

Monroe County has shown an increase in population from 1900 to 1950 of 5.5 percent. During the 1950's, however, the county showed a 14.3 percent decrease. This decrease was partly due to outmigration which was 8.8 percent during the 1950's. The 1969 estimate seems to indicate that outmigration has decreased to some extent.

TABLE 1

POPULATION TREND - TOMPKINSVILLE, GAMALIEL AND
MONROE COUNTY, KENTUCKY ^{1/}

Year	Tompkinsville		Gamaliel		Monroe County	
	Population	%Change	Population	%Change	Population	%Change
1900	366				13,053	
1950	1,859	407.9			13,770	5.5
1960	2,091	12.5	868		11,799	-14.3
1969 (est.) ^{2/}	NA		NA		11,500	-2.5

General Employment Characteristics

During 1968, total employment in Monroe County averaged 4,300. Major segments of employment are agriculture (1,600), manufacturing (1,080), trade and services (460), and government (500).

In the Monroe County labor market area, defined as Monroe and adjacent counties, total employment in 1968 averaged 25,975. Major segments were agriculture (8,300), manufacturing (4,830), trade and services (4,200), and government (2,600).

Manufacturing Characteristics

Manufacturing activity in Monroe County has experienced spectacular growth during the 1960's. Manufacturing employment totaled 1,080 in September, 1968, for a 127.8 percent gain during the past nine years. Approximately 63 percent of industrial employment is female.

Twelve firms in Monroe County are engaged in manufacturing activity and produce 20 different products. The greatest production is concentrated in the apparel industry.

Three manufacturing firms employ more than 100 workers.

Four of the county's manufacturing firms began production during the sixties. The following three firms are the largest manufacturers located in Monroe County: Monroe Manufacturing Company, located in Gamaliel, and Key Manufacturing Company and Tompkinsville Manufacturing Company in Tompkinsville.

TABLE 2

MONROE COUNTY AREA MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS, AND EMPLOYMENT ^{3/}

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
<u>Gamaliel</u>				
Monroe Manufacturing Co.	Casual slacks	340	85	255
<u>Tompkinsville</u>				
Roy Anderson Lumber Co.	Rough lumber	34	34	0
Cudahy Company	Cheddar cheese	25	21	4
Glasgow Fertilizer Co., Inc.	Fertilizer	4	3	1
Hailes Cabinet Shop	Reproduction furniture, cabinets, mantels, molded trim hand- crafted classic guitars	2	2	0
Hammer Printing Service	Commercial printing	3	2	1
Key Manufacturing Co.	Men's, boys' jeans, casual slacks, ladies' jeans	200	36	164
Monroe County Press	Newspaper, job printing	7	4	3
Monroe Sweet Feed Mill	Feed	6	5	1
(Contd.)				

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
Stephens Ready Mix Concrete	Ready mixed concrete, steel bulk cement silos, ready mix plants	8	8	0
Tompkinsville Block Co.	Concrete block, tile, stepping stones	7	6	1
Tompkinsville Manufacturing Company	Men's laundry pants	258	52	206
Tompkinsville Printing Co.	Job printing	1	1	0

The five-county Monroe County labor market area includes: Monroe, Allen, Barren, Cumberland and Metcalfe Counties. In September, 1968, there were 4,829 workers in the area employed in manufacturing. Major groupings of activities are shown in Table 3. The largest manufacturing employment is located in Barren and Monroe Counties. Manufacturing in the area has grown rapidly, increasing 75.6 percent during the past eight years.

TABLE 3

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT, MONROE COUNTY LABOR
MARKET AREA, SEPTEMBER, 1968 ^{4/}

Industry	Employment
TOTAL	4,829
Apparel	2,313
Metal products and machinery	1,437
Lumber and furniture	783
Others	296

Labor Organizations

There are currently no labor unions in Monroe County representing manufacturing workers.

Wage Levels

The average weekly wage during 1968 in industries covered by unemployment insurance in Monroe County was \$69.07. The average weekly wage in manufacturing was \$69.66. Comparable figures for Kentucky were: \$112.16 in all industries; \$123.97 in manufacturing. All the counties in the labor market area were below the state averages leading to the tentative conclusion that production workers could be recruited at near the minimum wage level.

The following wage rates are presented as a rough guideline to the Monroe County wage situation. 5/

<u>Production Employees</u>	<u>Wages Per Hour</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
Inspector	\$1.60	\$1.90	\$1.75
Production Laborer	1.60	1.90	1.75
Sprayer or Painter	1.60	2.50	2.00
<u>Service Employees</u>			
Carpenter	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$2.75
Electrician	2.00	3.00	2.50
Janitor	1.60	1.80	1.70
Laborer	1.60	1.80	1.75
Mechanic, Maintenance	2.00	2.75	2.50
Truck Driver	1.60	2.00	1.90
Tool, Die or Gauge Maker	1.60	2.00	1.75
<u>Office Employees</u>			
Bookkeeper or Accounting Clerk	\$1.60	\$2.00	\$1.75
File Clerk	1.60	1.75	1.65
Receptionist	1.60	1.75	1.65
Secretary	1.60	1.75	1.65
Stenographer	1.60	2.00	1.90
Telephone Operator	1.60	2.00	1.90
Typist	1.60	1.75	1.65

Labor Supply

There is a current labor supply of 3,300 men and 1,800 women available for industrial jobs in the Monroe County labor market area. This includes the unemployed, underemployed, and those people who would enter the labor force if jobs became available. By 1975, the labor supply will be augmented by 6,600 young men and women who will become 18 years of age.

TABLE 4

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY - MONROE COUNTY LABOR
MARKET AREA

County	Current Labor Supply 1969 ^{6/}			Future Labor Supply by 1975 (Becoming 18 Years of Age) ^{7/}		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Labor Market						
Area	5,216	3,344	1,872	6,626	3,417	3,209
Monroe	900	666	234	1,189	649	540
Allen	859	575	284	1,042	519	523
Barren	1,500	868	632	2,826	1,448	1,378
Cumberland	962	671	291	771	411	360
Metcalfe	995	564	431	798	390	408

Income

The total personal income in Monroe County in 1968 was estimated at \$21,137,000. Per capita income was \$1,838 for a gain of \$1,050 during the previous nine years. ^{8/}

EDUCATION

The educational system in the Monroe County labor market area has the facilities to produce an effective labor force for future industrial growth.

Elementary and High Schools

The Monroe County School System includes two high schools, one at Tompkinsville and one at Gamaliel, and 12 elementary schools. Both of the high schools have Provisional ratings. The county school budget for the year ending June 30, 1969, is \$1,886,301. As of June 30, 1968, the Board of Education had an outstanding indebtedness of \$1,280,000.

TABLE 5

SCHOOLS, ENROLLMENT, NUMBER OF TEACHERS, STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN MONROE COUNTY, 1968-69 ^{9/}

School	Enrollment	Teachers	Student-Teacher Ratio
Monroe County Elementaries	1,519	71	21-1
Monroe County High Schools	1,111	55	20-1

Vocational Schools

The Bowling Green Vocational-Technical School, located in Bowling Green, Kentucky, serves Monroe County. The courses offered are auto body repair, auto mechanics, carpentry, drafting, industrial electricity, electronics, machine shop, office machine repair, practical nursing, tool and dye making, graphic arts, commercial foods, television and radio repair.

In addition to regular preparatory courses, upgrading courses are offered in evening extension classes for employed persons. Special courses are also available for eligible people under the Manpower Development and Training Act.

An extension center located in Glasgow offers courses in auto mechanics, building trades and drafting.

Colleges

Western Kentucky University, located in Bowling Green, Kentucky, serves the Monroe County area. Western offers three four-year undergraduate degrees, one two-year undergraduate degree, and one graduate degree with course offerings in 32 different departments.

Other institutions of higher learning in the Monroe County area include:

<u>College or University</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Murray State University	Murray	178 miles
Brescia College	Owensboro	172 miles
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro	172 miles
Campbellsville College	Campbellsville	60 miles
Centre College	Danville	129 miles
University of Kentucky	Lexington	160 miles
Transylvania University	Lexington	160 miles
University of Louisville	Louisville	119 miles
Bellarmino-Ursuline	Louisville	119 miles
Catherine Spalding	Louisville	119 miles

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

The nearest rail facilities to Monroe County are located at Glasgow, Kentucky, 26 miles from Tompkinsville. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad serves Glasgow with one inbound and one outbound local freight daily. Piggyback facilities are available at Glasgow.

TABLE 6

RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM GLASGOW, KENTUCKY, TO: 10/

No. of Days		No. of Days	
City	CL	City	CL
Atlanta, Ga.	3	Los Angeles, Calif.	5
Birmingham, Ala.	3	Louisville, Ky.	1
Chicago, Ill.	4	Nashville, Tenn.	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	2	New Orleans, La.	4
Cleveland, Ohio	4	New York, N. Y.	4
Detroit, Mich.	4	Pittsburgh, Pa.	4
Knoxville, Tenn.	3	St. Louis, Mo.	3

Highways

Monroe County is served by Kentucky Routes 63, 87, 100, 163, 214, 216, 249, 678, 839, 870, 1049, and 1366.

Monroe County will be served by an interchange located on the Bowling Green-Somerset Parkway at Edmonton, Kentucky, 22 miles from Tompkinsville.

Truck Service: The following trucking firms serve Monroe County:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Home Office</u>
Manning Motor Express, Inc.	Glasgow, Kentucky
Tompkinsville Transfer Company	Tompkinsville, Kentucky
Burkesville Transfer Company	Burkesville, Kentucky
Merchants Truck Line	Lafayette, Tennessee

TABLE 7

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME FROM
TOMPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time (Days)		City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time <u>11</u> / TL	
		LTL	TL			LTL	TL
Atlanta, Ga.	311	3	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,180	5	4
Birmingham, Ala.	279	3	2	Louisville, Ky.	129	2	1
Chicago, Ill.	426	3	2	Nashville, Tenn.	93	1	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	240	3	2	New Orleans, La.	623	3	2
Cleveland, Ohio	480	3	2	New York, N. Y.	895	4	3
Detroit, Mich.	496	3	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	811	4	3
Knoxville, Tenn.	189	3	2	St. Louis, Mo.	393	3	2

Air

The nearest major airport serving Monroe County is the Bowling Green-Warren County Municipal Airport in Bowling Green, Kentucky, 63 miles distant. Two airlines provide commuter service to Louisville and Nashville.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Monroe County is supplied TVA electric power through Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation.

Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation provides electric service in seven Kentucky counties. The Cooperative distributes electricity purchased from the Tennessee Valley Authority's substations in Scottsville, Fountain Run, Tompkinsville, Summer Shade, and Burkesville. Service is provided for industry under TVA Lighting and Power Service Rate BG. Rate charts will be furnished by the Cooperative's Industrial Department in Lafayette, Tennessee.

Abundant low-cost TVA electric power is available to industry in a number of counties of southern and southwest Kentucky. The power is distributed from TVA's 161/500-kv transmission network supplied by 47 hydro and 11 steam generation stations having a combined capacity of some 18 million kilowatts. The system is also fully interconnected with neighboring utilities.

More generating capacity is now under construction or scheduled for the TVA system than at any time in its history. More than 9 1/2 million kilowatts will be added to the system by the end of 1974, a 50 percent increase over the present system capacity of 18,202,090 kilowatts.

Eighteen independent electric distributors in the Kentucky portion of TVA's power service area purchase their power requirements at wholesale from TVA and retail the power to their various industrial and other customers. The industrial power is sold by these distributors under TVA's General Power Rate--Schedule C-2, or under very similar TVA schedules. While the distributors are able to meet the power requirements of essentially all industries locating in their service areas, TVA serves directly some industries whose power requirements are unusually large or unique. The rate charged by TVA for firm power to such industries is the same as would be applied by the local distributor.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is supplied to 455 customers in Tompkinsville through a municipally owned company, whose source of supply is the Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation. The transmission line bringing gas into Tompkinsville is a 4-inch high pressure line. The distribution lines range from 4 to 1 3/4 inches. The BTU content per cubic foot is 1,000, with a specific gravity of .60; pressure is maintained at 15 psi.

Rates:

First	500 cubic feet	\$1.50 (Minimum)
Next	2,500 cubic feet	.11 per 100 cubic feet
Next	7,000 cubic feet	.10 per 100 cubic feet
Next	20,000 cubic feet	.09 per 100 cubic feet
All over	30,000 cubic feet	.08 per 100 cubic feet

There is no natural gas service in Gamaliel.

Coal

Monroe County is served by the Western Kentucky Coal Field. Delivery cost for industrial and domestic coal from the Western Kentucky Group to Glasgow is \$3 per net ton. 12/

Fuel Oil

Kentucky has three fuel oil refineries located in Catlettsburg, Louisville, and Somerset. Kentucky's fuel supply is supplemented by border state operations.

Delivery prices of the various grades may be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

The Tompkinsville Water and Sewer System provides treated water to Tompkinsville through its 800,000 gpd treatment plant. The water is filtered and treated with chlorine and stored in two standpipes with a total capacity of 300,000 gallons. The water is distributed through mains ranging from 2 to 8 inches at a pressure of 40 psi. The average daily use of this system is 800,000 gallons.

The City of Tompkinsville has plans underway to build a new water treatment plant with an initial capacity to treat 1.5 million gallons per day. The new plant is designed to be expanded up to 3 million gallons per day with minimum expense. The \$1.5 million project includes a new water treatment plant, a new sewage treatment plant, and a recreational area.

Rates for Tompkinsville:

First	2,000 gallons	\$3.00 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	.75 per M gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	.60 per M gallons
Next	75,000 gallons	.45 per M gallons
Next	100,000 gallons	.35 per M gallons

Special rates to large commercial users will be made by the city.

The Gamaliel Water Works System's source of raw water for the 120,000 gpd treatment plant is Line Creek. The water is treated by filtering, settling, chlorination, and alkalization. The average daily use is approximately 50,000 gallons with 120,000 gallons as the peak use in a 24-hour period. The water is distributed through mains ranging from 2 to 8 inches at a pressure of 70 psi.

Rates for Gamaliel:

First	3,000 gallons	\$5.00 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
Next	4,000 gallons	.75 per M gallons
All over	10,000 gallons	.50 per M gallons

Sewerage

The Tompkinsville Water and Sewer System provides the city with separate sanitary mains ranging from 6 to 10 inches and storm mains ranging from 24 to 36 inches. The system was placed into operation in 1950 and provides primary treatment only. The treatment plant is currently operating at capacity. The rate for sewerage service is 50 percent of the water bill.

Plans are underway to construct a new high rate trickling filter plant which will give primary and secondary treatment. The plant will have a design flow of 460,000 gallons per day and design population of 7,800.

At the present time, Gamaliel uses individual septic tanks for waste disposal. Plans for a sewerage system have been completed and an application for federal assistance has been filed.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture

The approximate total land area of Monroe County is 213,760 acres, with 83 percent of the area devoted to farm land. In 1964, there were 1,557 farms in the county, with an average size of 115 acres.

Farm income in the county is largely from the production of burley tobacco, supplemented substantially by dairying, cattle, and hogs. The 1964 value of sales of all farm products totaled \$5,313,244, averaging \$3,412 per farm. Crop sales totaled \$2,588,605; livestock and livestock products totaled \$2,723,718.

In 1967, agricultural production in Monroe County included 3.3 million pounds of burley tobacco and 900,000 bushels of corn. Livestock on farms on January 1, 1968, included 28,800 cattle and calves, and 16,500 hogs and pigs. Milk cows on farms during 1966 averaged 7,100 head, with milk production for the year totaling 38.7 million pounds.

Mineral Resources

The principal mineral resources of Monroe County, produced in order of value in 1967, are petroleum and limestone. Other potentially important minerals include clay and natural gas.

Some spectacular oil wells have been drilled, although production has been generally short-lived in this area. Recent production has occurred mainly in the Sulphur Lick area although activity is reported throughout the county. The production of petroleum through 1968 had an accumulative total of 656,071 barrels. A total of 29,124 barrels of oil was produced in 1968.

Limestone suitable for roadway construction, concrete and possibly agstone occurs throughout the county. One quarry was reported in operation in 1967, producing 100,000 short tons of crushed limestone which was valued at \$156,040.

Water Resources

The largest supply of surface water is available from the Barren and Cumberland Rivers. Other sources may be secured from impounded streams.

The expected yield of ground water except for small belts trending northeast-southwest, is 5 gpm or less. The belts yield 5 to 50 gpm which would offer potential for industrial water supplies. Exceptions may be found in restricted areas.

Forests

There are 98,400 acres of commercial forest land in Monroe County, covering 46 percent of the total land area. The most abundant species are red oaks, white oaks, hickories, yellow poplar, sweetgum, ash, beech, and hard maple.

In Kentucky, within a 50-mile radius of Tompkinsville, there are nearly 1,200,000 acres of commercial forest land. In 1962, 88 million board feet of timber were harvested from this area. The adjacent part of Tennessee is also well forested. While some of the timber harvest is used locally, much of it is shipped out of the area for further processing.

Forests of the entire area receive organized protection from fire from the State Department of Natural Resources.

Climate

Monroe County has a pleasant year-round climate. Great extremes of heat or cold rarely occur, yet weather changes are sufficiently frequent to gain variety.

Winter is short, with snowfall heaviest during the months of December, January, and February.

Total precipitation averages 46 inches annually, occurring mainly in the winter and spring.

During an average year, 153 days are cloudy, 108 partly cloudy, and 105 clear. Normal monthly minimum temperatures range from 30 to 69 degrees F.; maximum range is from 47 to 89 degrees F.; average annual temperatures range from 39 to 78 degrees F.

Prevailing wind is from the south.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Tompkinsville, a fifth-class city, is governed by a mayor elected for four years and six councilmen elected for two years.

Gamaliel, a sixth-class city, is governed by a mayor and four councilmen, all elected for four-year terms.

Monroe County is governed by a fiscal court composed of a county judge and five magistrates elected for four-year terms.

Finance

The City of Tompkinsville had an income of \$194,500 for the twelve months ending December 31, 1967, while expenditures for the same period totaled \$191,500. The city had a bonded indebtedness of \$275,000 at that time in revenue bonds for the water and gas system.

The City of Gamaliel had an income of approximately \$9,000 for the year ending December 31, 1968, while expenditures totaled approximately \$9,000. The city had a bonded indebtedness of \$236,000 at that time in revenue bonds for development of the water system and industrial revenue bonds for the construction of Monroe Manufacturing Company.

Monroe County's budget for the year ending June 30, 1968, was \$108,537. The county had a bonded indebtedness of \$112,000 in revenue bonds for the county hospital.

Taxes

Property taxes are the major source of income for Tompkinsville, Gamaliel, and Monroe County. Property must be assessed at 100 percent of value under provision of the Kentucky Constitution. Net assessed value of property in Tompkinsville, Gamaliel, and Monroe County:

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Tompkinsville</u>	<u>Gamaliel</u>	<u>Monroe County</u>
Real Estate	\$9,246,088	\$1,616,734	\$33,035,947
Tangibles	550,000	217,103	7,165,963
Public Service	711,468	100,834	16,412,343

Property tax rates for Monroe County in 1968 are shown in Table 8.

TABLE 8

PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE
FOR TOMPKINSVILLE, GAMALIEL AND MONROE COUNTY, 1968 ^{13/}

Taxing Unit	Tompkinsville	Gamaliel	Monroe County
State	\$.0150	\$.0150	\$.0150
County	.1345	.1345	.1345
School	.4920	.4920	.4920
City	<u>.2000</u>	<u>.2000</u>	<u> </u>
Total	\$.8415	\$.8415	\$.6415

The City of Tompkinsville requires annual business licenses ranging from a minimum of \$20.50 to a maximum of \$175.

Both Tompkinsville and Gamaliel are empowered by state law to allow a five-year exemption from municipal taxation for new industry.

Planning and Zoning

The Tompkinsville Planning Commission has completed a Comprehensive Plan, Subdivision Regulations and a Zoning Ordinance.

Safety

Fire: Tompkinsville has a Class-8 American Insurance Association fire rating. The Tompkinsville Fire Department is staffed by a full-time chief and 21 volunteers. Motorized equipment consists of one 500-gpm pumper, one 750-gpm pumper, and one 1,000-gallon tank truck.

Gamaliel has a Class-7 American Insurance Association fire rating. The Gamaliel Volunteer Fire Department has 25 volunteers who utilize one 1964 International 750-gpm pumper.

Police: Tompkinsville is provided police protection by the Tompkinsville Police Department. The department is staffed by three patrolmen and one radio dispatcher. Motorized equipment consists of two radio-equipped patrol cars.

Gamaliel is provided police protection by the city marshal, who utilizes a radio-equipped patrol car.

The Monroe County Sheriff's Department is staffed by the county sheriff and three deputies. Motorized equipment consists of two radio-equipped patrol cars. There is one Kentucky State Patrolman assigned to Monroe County.

Sanitation

Wet and dry garbage is collected by private contractor in Tompkinsville and Gamaliel. Collections are four times weekly in the business areas and two times a week in residential areas. Rates for this service are \$2.50 per month in the residential areas and are negotiated for the business district.

HEALTH

Hospitals

The Monroe County War Memorial Hospital, in Tompkinsville, serves Monroe County. The hospital is a general short term hospital with 49 beds and 8 bassinets, X-ray, emergency room, operating room, delivery room, and laboratory. The hospital staff includes six medical doctors, three registered nurses, and one surgeon.

Public Health

The Monroe County Health Department, located in Tompkinsville, had a 1968-69 budget of \$23,027. The professional and technical staff includes one full-time nurse, one full-time sanitarian and one full-time clerk. The major services provided by the county health department include tuberculosis control, cancer control (Pap Smear Clinics), vital statistics, school programs (immunizations, etc.), family planning, and general sanitation duties.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Housing

There is a limited amount of rental property available in the Monroe County area. The construction cost of a new house would depend upon the design and the type of materials used.

Communication

Telephone: Monroe County is provided telephone service by General Telephone of Kentucky and the South Central Rural Telephone Company.

The General Telephone system serves 1,399 customers in Monroe County and the South Central Rural Telephone Company serves 709 customers.

Postal: Tompkinsville is served by a second-class post office with 12 employees. The mail is received and dispatched two times daily. The mail is delivered once daily in the residential and business districts. The post office serves five rural routes.

Gamaliel is provided mail service through a third-class post office with three employees.

Newspapers: The Tompkinsville News, published every Thursday, has a circulation of 2,000 in Monroe County. Papers are received daily from Glasgow and Louisville, Kentucky, and Nashville, Tennessee.

Radio: Radio station WTKY in Tompkinsville is a daytime station operating on 1370 kilocycles. Radio reception is also received clearly from Glasgow and Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Television: A television cable service provides reception from all three major networks. Television reception is received from Nashville, Tennessee, and Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Libraries

The new \$138,000 William B. Harlan Memorial Library, located in Tompkinsville, has 13,900 volumes and during its first full year of operation, 1968, had a circulation of 22,554. The library is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. and on Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

The county bookmobile operates four days per week and had a 1968 circulation of 71,186.

Churches

The following denominations are represented in Monroe County: Baptist, Catholic, Church of Christ, Church of the First Born, Church of Today, Latter Day Saints, and Methodist.

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of December 31, 1968</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Peoples Bank of Tompkinsville	\$4,787,245	\$4,411,082
Deposit Bank of Monroe County	8,055,949	7,275,381
Gamaliel Bank	5,149,609	4,521,231

Clubs and Organizations

Civic: Chamber of Commerce, Lions, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Monroe County Citizens Organization for Community Betterment, Fountain Run Community Club, Monroe County Community Action Association

Fraternal: American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars

Men's: Sportsmen's Club

Women's: Business and Professional Women's Club, Monroe County Homemakers Club

Youth: FFA, FHA, 4-H Club, Little League, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts

Recreation

Local: Several recreation areas in Monroe County are open to the public. They include the Tompkinsville School athletic field, the Monroe County Fair and Recreation Center, swimming pool, William B. Harlan Memorial Library, Old Mulkey Meeting House State Shrine and Fountain Run Community Park. Some of the facilities and activities include swimming, basketball, baseball, and picnicking.

The Tompkinsville City Recreation Program includes softball, Little League baseball, Junior League baseball, girls softball and adult baseball.

Other recreational activities in the county include pet and horse show, sponsored by the Monroe County Horsemen's Association, and the Monroe County Fair, tennis, hunting, hiking, badminton, archery, and the Monroe County Fair Beauty Pageant.

Plans are underway for the construction of an 18-hole golf course in Tompkinsville.

Area: Tompkinsville is located 18 miles from Dale Hollow Dam and Reservoir, and 26 miles from Barren River Reservoir where facilities for camping, hiking, fishing, hunting, swimming, and boating are plentiful. In addition to the larger lakes, many small private lakes are located within the county for fishing and picnicking.

In Horse Cave, 45 miles distant, can be seen the Mammoth Onyx Cave. In it are colorful onyx stalagmites and stalactites and native cave life.

The world renowned Mammoth Cave is only 45 miles from Tompkinsville. Dining, lodging, and recreational facilities are available.

The Diamond Caverns, 40 miles from Tompkinsville, have varied cave formations and cave life.

Racing: Louisville offers the world famous Kentucky Derby and racing at Churchill Downs, Miles Park, and Louisville Downs.

Sports: Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky, offers a complete intercollegiate athletic program.

Drama and Music: The Brown Theater, Louisville, is the home of the Louisville Theatrical Association, the Louisville Orchestra, the Kentucky Opera Association, and the Louisville Civic Ballet Company. Actors, Inc., is Louisville's professional resident theater company.

Recent Community Improvements

Public: New elementary school in Tompkinsville, new gymnasium at Tompkinsville High School, new public library opened, new park under construction at Gamaliel.

Business and Industrial: New shopping center, new modern restaurant opened in Gamaliel.

Other: New subdivision in Tompkinsville and Gamaliel.

HISTORY

Monroe County was created in 1820, the 65th Kentucky county. It was named for President James Monroe, then serving his second term in that office. Appropriately, the seat of government for the county named for Monroe was called Tompkinsville in honor of Daniel D. Tompkins, Vice President of the United States at that time. Tompkins had previously served as Governor of New York for ten years. He had achieved fame as man of the common people who had supported social legislation in their behalf. The surface of this southcentral Kentucky county varies from level to hilly. Its leading agricultural products are corn, tobacco, and livestock.

Over 40 percent of Monroe County is covered with forests of oak, hickory, beech, and poplar. Below the surface are found clays, limestone, and oil. Petroleum has been an important part of the economic life of the area. In recent years there have been many exploratory operations in the area which have met with varying degrees of success. The oil boom of the early fifties produced several gushers and large wells as well as many smaller ones. Some oil men believe that the future may bring more boom times for Tompkinsville like those of 1918-1919 and the early fifties.

Religion was an important part of the early frontier. The Old Mulkey Meeting House near Tompkinsville shares in the fame of the revivals of the west. This house, now a state park, has twelve corners which, according to tradition, represent the Twelve Apostles. In its cemetery lie some of the soldiers and heroes of the Revolutionary War. This church experienced a schism when John Mulkey, the pastor of this church in the early 1890's, led a large portion of his congregation away from the Baptist Church into the fold of the new movements of Alexander Campbell and Barton W. Stone. Thus, this old church is entwined in the history of two of the largest denominations in Kentucky today.

In the eighty-year period from 1870 to 1950, the population of Tompkinsville increased 745 percent. This large gain occurred despite two major fires. The first fire in 1887 destroyed twenty buildings including the courthouse and post office. Upon these ruins the new town grew, stronger and larger than before.

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